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COUPLING PROCESS, IN SOLUTION, BETWEEN A

PEPTIDE AND AT LEAST ONE OTHER COMPOUND,

AND ITS APPLICATIONS

LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

March 4, 2003

Sir:

Subsequent to the filing of the above-identified application on October 28, 2002, attached hereto is an English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER 409) which should be made of record in the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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